

ABSTRACT

This invention relates to an information processing apparatus and an information processing method for simply providing the results of searches as expected by users searching for broadcast content. A search space processing section 103 acquires a search keyword based on search information coming from a user terminal, and searches a search keyword dictionary database for search-related keyword data related to the search keyword. On the basis of the search keyword and search-related keyword data, the search space processing section 103 generates a search keyword space and submits the generated space to a correction process. A search processing section 104 compares the corrected search keyword space, EPG data, and an EPG keyword space for a match. A search display processing section 105 prepares a list of display-ready information from the result of the matching and sends the list to the user terminal. This invention can be applied advantageously to systems that provide broadcast content information over the Internet.